

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: David A. Schwartz
Application No.: 10/050,277
Filed: 15 January 2002
Group: 1623
Examiner: D. M. Naff

Title: "TERNARY BIOMOLECULE/POLYMER/SURFACE-BASED
IMMOBILIZATION SYSTEMS"

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

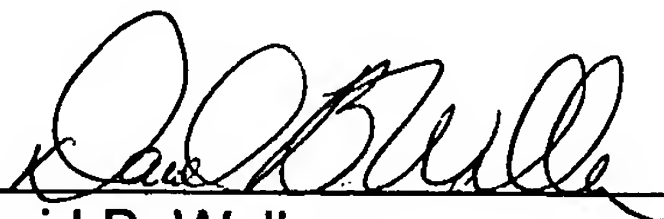
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for a one (1) month extension of time to take action in response to the Office Action mailed 18 February 2004. This extension of time is effective to allow timely filing of a response up to and including 18 June 2004.

A check (Check No.: 1617) in the amount of fifty-five dollars (\$55.00) to cover the petition fee is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 24 May 2004



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